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HERE'S THE 7TH VOLUME OF THE MANGA: LOVE HINA  
FOR THE FANS BY A FAN.

REMEMBER, IF YOU LIKE IT, GO BUY IT!

PAGES HAVE BEEN CROPPED TO GET RID OF THE GUTTER,  
BUT IT'S STILL VISIBLE,

AS I REALLY DON'T CARE TOO MUCH ABOUT THE QUALITY.

SCANNED > CROPPED > CLEANED > SAVED.

ALSO I'VE DONE A QUICK JOB ON ANY DOUBLE PAGE SPREADS,  
JUST TO MAKE IT EASIER TO READ.

IF YOU DON'T LIKE MY ATTEMPT, GO BUY IT FOR  
YOURSELVES AND ENJOY YOUR OWN VERSION..

ANYHOW ENJOY!

NEXT UP: NOT SURE :P

NOTE: HERE WE GO FOR ONE MY FAVOURITE SERIES OF ALL TIME.

PROBABLY WHAT GOT ME HOOKED ONTO SHOUJO,  
EVEN IF ITS NOT SHOUJO ITSELF.

ITS ONE OF THE MORE UNDERAPPRECIATED SERIES,  
AND I WAS EXPECTING SOMEONE TO HAVE DONE  
A HQ RELEASE BY NOW.

THANKS TO ALL THE VARIOUS GROUPS WHO INITIALLY WORKED ON IT.  
AND HERE'S THE OFFICIAL ENGLISH VERSION, WITH NO MISSING  
BUBBLES AND SMALL UNREADABLE TEXT....WELL I HOPE NOT.

REMEMBER, IF YOU LIKE IT, BUY IT. I DID... TWICE.

AND BECAUSE I ACTUALLY TOOK APART THE BOOK TO SCAN  
IT PROPERLY, DON'T EXPECT ME TO DO IT AGAIN.

PS: I'M NOT MAKING A SEPERATE CREDIT  
FOR EACH RELEASE =D

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The secret is out!

The girl from Keitaro's distant memory is Mutsumi, or at least that's where Naru's deduction has led her. So, now Keitaro has to start making some decisions, and what better way to make a decision between two absolutely beautiful, dynamic women than to go on a date with both of them... at the same time. Things get stickier when Mutsumi makes herself homeless by burning her house down, landing her in temporary residence at Hinata House... staying in Naru's room... right above Keitaro's room. Ooo, la la.

The New Year is right around the corner and the gang goes out for a celebration at a local shrine, where Keitaro, Naru and Mutsumi all ask for good luck on the upcoming test. But with a packed house and Valentine's Day right around the corner, how much time will they spend actually studying?



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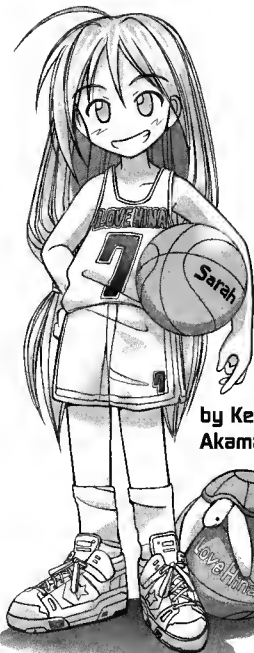
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## The Story Thus Far ...

Fifteen years ago, Keitaro Urashima made a promise to a girl that they would go to Tokyo University together. The promise is nothing more than a hazy memory now, but to Keitaro, it's the only thing that brings meaning to his life. Having failed the entrance exam several times, he's found it more and more difficult to keep that promise, much less being able to find the girl he made it to... until now.

But before we get into that, let's set the scene. He's inherited from his globetrotting grandmother the Hinata House, a quiet residential dorm where he could work as the landlord and prepare for his upcoming exams in peace... if it wasn't for the fact that Hinata House is actually a girls' dormitory with a clientele none too pleased that their new, live-in landlord is a man - or as close to a man as poor Keitaro can be. The lanky loser incessantly (and accidentally) crashes their sessions in the hot springs, walks in on them changing... and pokes his nose pretty much everywhere it can get broken, it not by the hot-headed Naru, then by one of the other Hinata inmates - Katsune, a late-teen alcoholic with a diesel libido; Motoko, a swordswoman who struggles with a feminine identity; Shinobu, a pre-teen princess with a colossal crush on Keitaro; and Su, a foreign girl with a big appetite.

So, about that "... until now." Naru has just discovered a photograph that strongly suggests that her and Keitaro's mutual friend Mutsumi might very well be the girl from Keitaro's memory... which strongly suggests that Keitaro and Mutsumi belong together... which strongly suggests that Naru has been chopped to second fiddle in the hierarchy of Keitaro's affections. Bad timing, considering that the stern, studious Naru has just developed an unyielding crush on her klutzy study partner.

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# LOVE♥HINA



HINATA...? A Little Lost Sheep on a Holy Night?!





HEY,  
WAIT,  
NARU  
!!

GOOD-  
BYE,  
KEITARO!!





THAT'S  
IT,  
ISN'T IT,  
NARU?

ARE YOU MAD  
ABOUT  
MUTSUMI  
KISSING ME?



WHAT DID  
YOU MEAN  
BY ALL  
THAT?

NARU, WHY  
ARE YOU  
CRYING?



HUFF PUFF.  
WHY AM I NOT  
CATCHING UP  
WITH HER?

PLEASE...  
PLEASE,  
COME  
BACK... IT'S  
NOT WHAT  
YOU THINK.



H  
M  
M  
?

WHOA  
!!



NARU  
DROPPED  
THIS.

WHAT  
ARE  
YOU  
DOING?  
I NEED  
TO STOP  
HER!



URGH...  
CAN'T...  
BREATHE

URASHIMA  
LOOK AT  
THIS.



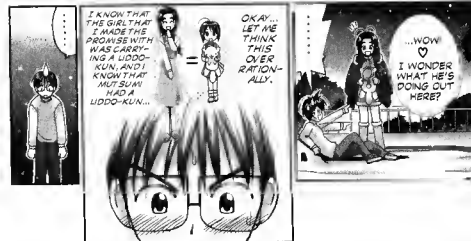
...SO THE  
GIRL WITH  
THE  
LIDDO-KUN  
IS...

HEY, WE'RE  
STANDING  
IN THIS  
SANDBOX  
RIGHT  
\*NOW...



THIS MUST  
HAVE  
BEEN  
TAKEN BY  
MY  
GRANDMA  
YEARS  
AGO.

HOLY  
CRAP,  
THAT'S  
...THAT'S  
ME!!





...  
IS  
MUT-  
SU-  
NI!!

...WHICH  
MUST  
MEAN  
THAT  
THE  
GIRL  
I RE-  
MEM-  
BER  
...



OH NO!  
WHAT DO I DO?!  
MY HEAD CAN'T  
TAKE MUCH MORE  
OF THIS!!

URA-  
SHI-  
MA?



UM,  
YES,  
I... I'M  
QUITE  
AWARE  
OF THAT.

YES!!  
IT'S ME!!  
THAT'S  
ME!! IT'S  
ME, KEI-  
TARO  
URASHIMA  
!!



AHH!  
OH!!  
OH  
GOD!!

UM,  
EXCUSE  
ME URA-  
SHIMA?



IS IT BECAUSE  
SHE FOUND OUT  
THAT MUTSUMI  
WAS THE GIRL I  
MADE THE  
PROMISE TO? OR  
IS IT BECAUSE  
SHE WALKED IN  
ON MUTSUMI  
AND ME KISSING?

WHY  
WAS NARU  
CRY-  
ING?

OH...  
OH  
YEAH.



SHE  
LOOKED  
UPSET.

IS IT  
REALLY  
ALL RIGHT  
TO LET  
NARU-  
SEGAWA  
RUN OFF  
LIKE  
THAT?



OH  
MY...

MUTSUMI,  
YOU'VE GOT  
TO COME  
WITH ME!!



HEY,  
WHAT'S  
WRONG?

AARRGGH!!  
NOTHING  
MAKES ANY  
SENSE ANY  
MORE!!

HUH  
?!





NOO!!  
I'M NOT  
GOING TO!!

LET  
GO  
OF  
ME!!

!!

...SO NOW  
THAT YOU'VE  
FOUND HER,  
GO TO  
TOKYO U  
WITH HER  
LIKE YOU  
PLANNED,

LOOK, THE ONLY  
REASON YOU  
EVEN WANTED  
TO GO TO  
TOKYO U IN THE  
FIRST PLACE  
WAS BECAUSE  
OF THE  
PROMISE,

...I CARE  
ABOUT...

...YOU'RE  
RIGHT,  
BUT... NARU ...

...I DON'T  
WANT TO  
LET YOU GO  
EVEN IF MY  
LIFE DEPENDS  
ON IT!!

...BOTH  
YOU AND  
MUTSUMI.  
AND NO  
MATTER  
WHAT ELSE  
HAPPENS...

どはーん!!









BESIDES, IT'S CHRISTMAS EVE!



CAN'T YOU BE LOVEY DOVEY WITH ME AS WELL?

LOVEY DOVEY?

FRIENDLY FRIENDLY!

AND DON'T YOU THINK IT'S KIND OF RUDE TO ONLY HOLD NARU-SEGAWA'S HAND?

I DON'T WANT TO BE LEFT OUT.

BUT, URASHIMA, YOU WERE THE ONE WHO TOOK MY HAND.

UH, THIS...THIS IS, UM... MUTSUMI, WOULD YOU MIND LETTING GO OF MY HAND?



THAT'S NOT TRUE.

DON'T YOU GET IT? YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH ME ANYMORE.



OH NO YOU DON'T!! STAY!!

CONGRATULATIONS YOU TWO! I HOPE YOU HAVE A GREAT LIFE TOGETHER!



YOU NEED TIME?

...I'M AS CONFUSED AS YOU ARE, BUT THIS IS A LOT TO TAKE IN. I NEED A LITTLE TIME TO THINK THINGS THROUGH.

LOOK, NARU...



FINE, THEN, TAKE YOUR TIME.

URAM











WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN?

I DON'T  
WANT TO  
SEE YOU  
GET SICK  
RIGHT  
BEFORE  
EXAMS LIKE  
LAST YEAR

HUH?

YOU  
DUMMY  
...

...YOU'RE  
GONNA  
GET SICK  
FROM THE  
COLD.

UGH, HOW  
CARELESS.



I  
HOPE WE  
GET INTO  
TOKYO  
TOGETHER

NEXT  
YEAR...

A LOT HAS HAPPENED  
SINCE I MET NARU, BUT  
THERE IS ONE THING I'M  
SURE OF. IF I HADN'T  
MET NARU, MY GRADES  
WOULDN'T HAVE EVER  
IMPROVED AND I KNOW  
FOR A FACT THAT I'D  
HAVE GIVEN  
UP ON TOKYO  
A LONG  
TIME AGO.

HEY, WAIT A  
MINUTE, THE  
REASON THAT  
I HAVEN'T  
GIVEN UP ON  
TOKYO IS  
BECAUSE I  
MADE A  
PROMISE TO  
NARU THAT I  
WOULDN'T  
GIVE UP.



WHAAAT?!  
ALREADY?

WE'RE  
BACK



ARE  
YOU  
TRYING  
TO KILL  
YOUR  
SELF?

WA  
AA  
AAH  
H?!

KEITARO  
YOU'RE  
SO CUTE  
WHEN  
YOU  
MAKE  
THAT  
FACE.



I'M  
RUNNING  
OUT OF  
TIME.  
I'VE GOT  
TO  
DECIDE!!

GAWH,  
WHAT  
SHOULD  
I DO?

ONCE WE  
REACH THE  
TOP OF THESE  
STEPS, YOU  
SURE AS HELL  
BETTER ONLY  
BE HOLDING  
ONE HAND.

UGH,  
GUYS

THE  
MOMENT  
OF TRUTH  
IS AT  
HAND.

THIS IS SO  
EXCITING



...I  
DON'T  
KNOW  
WHAT  
TO DO  
YET!

BUT...  
BUT...  
I...

OH,  
DON'T  
BE  
SUCH A  
WUSS!

HEY!! WHY  
THE HURRY?

ONE  
STEP!  
TWO  
STEPS!

...HOW  
AM I  
SUPPOSED  
TO KNOW  
THE RIGHT  
CHOICE?!



30  
SEC-  
ONDS  
LEFT -  
20 SEC-  
ONDS..

設問1:  
どちらか一方を  
んで鉛筆で黒く  
りつぶしなさい。

①C 成瀬川

②Cむつみ

URA-  
SHIMA?

I DON'T  
KNOW!!  
I'M  
GOING TO  
FAIL  
AGAIN!

①C 成瀬川

②Cむつみさん

成瀬

むつみ

...IT'S BEST  
TO JUST  
RELAX AND  
DO WHAT YOU  
NORMALLY  
DO.

I WAS  
TOLD  
THAT  
WHEN  
YOU'VE  
GOT A  
DIFFICULT  
DECISION  
TO  
MAKE...

.....

フツフツ

MUTSUMI

MU

...DO  
YOU  
REALLY  
MEAN  
THAT?

...  
THREE  
MORE  
STEPS.

JUST

...GOOD...  
...GOOD...  
...GOOD...

...ONE...  
...TWO...  
...THREE...

AND

...THE  
MOMENT  
OF  
TRUTH.

...I'LL MISS  
BEING  
ABLE TO  
TALK TO  
HIM LIKE  
WE USED  
TO.

I  
GUESS  
THIS IS  
THE END  
FOR ME  
AND  
KEIICHIRO

TWO  
MORE

YOU CHOSE  
ME?!

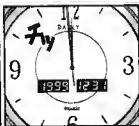
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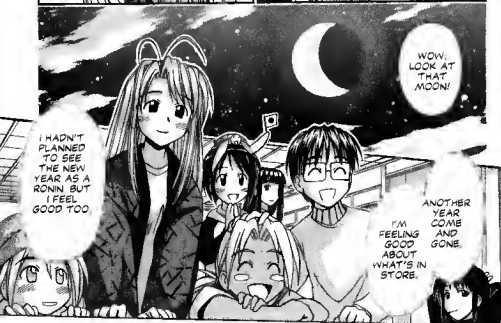
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The Heart-Pounding ♡  
Bad Luck Cleansing Scheme?!









OH  
MY  
GOD!!



YES!!  
HELP  
ME PUT  
OUT THE  
FIRE!!  
QUICK!!

YOU  
MEAN  
THERE  
WAS  
ACTUALLY  
SOMEONE  
LIVING  
THERE?



EXCUSE  
ME, DID  
EVERYONE  
GET OUT?!

HUH?

MUT-  
SUMI!  
WHERE  
ARE  
YOU?!



HELP!!  
SOME  
ONE  
CALL  
AN AMBU-  
LANCE!  
!

...  
YEAR'S

HAP...  
HAPPY...  
NEW...



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よ3



OH...  
HI,  
EVERY-  
ONE...

...AROUND MIDNIGHT, THERE WAS THIS... EXPLOSION. THE WATER HEATER, MAYBE?

HERE, WEAR THIS.

I THINK SO.

THERE'S NOTHING LEFT.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED?

I GUESS SO.

THIS IS A BAD THING THAT'S HAPPENED TO YOU.

GEE, MUTSUUMI, YOU'RE TAKING THIS WELL.

MY LANDLORD WAS TALKING ABOUT TEARING THIS PLACE DOWN.

Y2K HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOUR WATER HEATER EXPLODING!

IT WAS OLD AND RUSTED!

I WAS SO SCARED! LIKE MAYBE THE Y2K THING WAS STARTING.

MU... MUTSUUMI, WAIT--

IF IT MEANS ANYTHING, YOU'VE STILL GOT THE CLOTHES ON YOUR BACK AND YOUR EXAM TICKET!

PLEASE, TELL ME THAT ISN'T ALL YOU HAD! THINK OF THE INSURANCE MONEY!!

I LOST ALL MY WATERMELONS AND MY KOTATSU IN THE FIRE. I REALLY DON'T KNOW HOW I'LL MANAGE TO GO ON WITHOUT THEM... THEY WERE LIKE FAMILY.

I'VE GOT IT!!

I KNOW I WAS HERE ONLY A SHORT WHILE, BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR TAKING SUCH GREAT CARE OF ME.

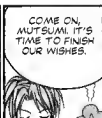
I GUESS I'LL GO BACK TO OKINAWA NOW, WITH ALL MY WATERMELONS GONE TO HEAVEN. I HAVE NOTHING HERE TO STAY FOR.

THIS IS A BAD OMEN. I THINK SOMETHING IS TRYING TO TELL ME THAT I'M NOT MEANT TO PASS THE CENTER EXAM.













HOLD  
ON,  
MUT-  
SUMI!

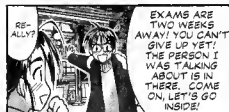
I'M JUST  
DESTINED  
TO HAVE  
BAD LUCK  
THIS  
YEAR.



I'M  
SORRY,  
MUT-  
SUMI.

SIGH,  
THIS  
IS SO  
HOPELESS.

OH  
PLEASE,  
DON'T  
WORRY  
ABOUT  
IT  
EVERY-  
ONE.



RE-  
ALLY?

EXAMS ARE  
TWO WEEKS  
AWAY! YOU CAN'T  
GIVE UP YET!  
THE PERSON I  
WAS TALKING  
ABOUT IS IN  
THERE. COME  
ON, LET'S GO  
INSIDE!



HMM  
...



OH, DUM!  
HE WAS  
TALKING  
ABOUT  
MOTOKO!

HEY,  
MOTOKO!  
OVER  
HERE!!



Your luck in love  
is on the rise! A  
romance with  
someone close to  
you looms on the  
horizon. It is wise  
to strike out and  
let your affections  
be known.

Fortunes -  
100 Yen Each



WHOA  
THERE!  
THAT'S A  
BIG  
SWORD?!

PLEASE,  
HEAR ME  
OUT, WILL  
YA?!

ME... AND...  
YOU? IT...  
CAN'T BE...  
CAN IT?  
URASHIMA?!



THEREFORE, I WILL THROW MY HEART, BODY, AND SOUL INTO CLEANSING THE MISFORTUNES THAT POLLUTE YOUR EXISTENCE!!

IT IS THE DUTY OF THE STUDENTS OF THE GODS' CRY SCHOOL TO RID AN AILING BODY OF EVIL.

...I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND.

AH...

カッ



AHEW! VERY WELL THEN. CHANGE INTO THIS SHRINE MAIDEN OUTFIT.

YOU'RE THE COOLEST!!

WOO-HOO! WAY TO GO, MOTOKO! I KNEW YOU WERE THE PERSON TO COME SEE!!



AND WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE LOOKING AT?!

YOU VILE DESECRATOR!

NOOO! YOU'VE GOT IT ALL WRONG!!

WHY ME?



ELDER SISTER... I'VE FINALLY RECEIVED MY FIRST ASSIGNMENT AS AN EXORCIST... PLEASE WATCH OVER ME AND PROTECT ME DURING THIS TRIAL OF THE GOD'S CRY...





AM,  
GOOD.

I'M  
ALL  
DONE  
CHANG-  
ING.



... DOES  
SEEM TO  
HAVE  
BECOME  
THE  
ROOT OF  
MUTSUMI'S  
CURRENT  
PROBLEMS

WELL THAT  
PROMISE  
MUTSUMI AND  
I MADE WHEN  
WE WERE  
KID...



UH...  
NO.

HMPH. IF  
THERE'S ANY  
EMBODIMENT  
OF  
MISFORTUNE,  
IT'S YOU,  
URASHIMA.



THEY  
MAKE  
ME  
FEEL  
KINDA  
SEXY.

THESE  
OUT-  
FITS  
ARE  
SOOO  
CUTE.  
♡

WOW!  
♡



URA-  
SHIMA,  
STAND  
THERE  
AND  
KEEP  
YOUR  
MOUTH  
SHUT.

SUTO-  
KO  
SUTO-  
KO!  
♡

REA-  
LLY?

HEY,  
YOU ALL  
LOOK  
REALLY  
PRET-  
TY!



BUT I  
ALWAYS  
WANTED  
TO TRY  
IT--

THERE  
WASN'T  
A NEED  
FOR ALL  
OF YOU  
TO  
CHANGE!!



... AS IF  
AN  
AFTER-  
THOUGHT  
COULD  
EVER  
SATISFY  
ME!!

SORRY,  
MOTOKO.  
I THINK  
YOU LOOK  
REALLY  
CUTE  
TOO.



LOOKIE,  
I'M  
SUTO-  
KO!!







THIS IS  
SOMETHING  
CALLED THE  
"MISFORTUNE  
OF MEETING"

I THINK I  
KNOW  
WHAT THE  
PROBLEM  
IS.

AND THE  
INFLUENCE OF  
THIS CURSE IS  
AFFLICTING  
NARU TO A  
LESSER  
DEGREE!!

IF YOU CONTINUE  
YOUR AFFAIR  
WITH URASHIMA,  
THEN PHYSICAL  
HARM AND  
TWISTED  
PERVERSIONS  
WILL BEFALL  
YOU!

THAT'S  
RIGHT. THIS  
PLIGHT ISN'T  
YOURS  
MUTSUMI!  
IT'S DIRECTLY  
LINKED TO  
SOMEONE  
AROUND YOU

THE  
"MIS-  
FOR-  
TUNE  
OF  
MEET-  
ING"?

WHOA!  
HOLD  
YOUR  
HORSES!!

KALE-  
IDOS-  
COPE

THAT  
EXPLAINS  
A LOT OF  
THINGS.

WHAT? I AM THE  
ROOT OF NARU AND  
MUTSUMI'S  
PROBLEMS?  
THAT'S INSANE!!

WAA-  
HHH!!!

THY  
MAKER!!  
WHAT  
ABOUT  
THE  
EVIL?

URASHI-  
MA...  
PREPARE  
TO MEET  
THY  
MAKER!!

...IF WE CAN STRIKE  
DOWN THE EVIL THAT  
RESIDES WITHIN  
URASHIMA'S BODY...

... ALL WILL BE  
WELL AGAIN!!

NOT TO  
WORRY.  
THIS WILL  
ALL BE  
OVER IF  
WE  
STRIKE  
HIM  
DOWN  
HERE  
AND NOW.



HOW DID I END  
UP BEING THE  
ONE NEEDING A  
CLEANSING?!



IT'S  
A REAL  
TIME

GY  
AAA  
AAH  
HH!!

IT'S  
YOUR  
FAULT  
THAT  
PAPA  
LEFT  
ME!!

SOME-  
ONE  
PLEASE...  
HELP ME!

YOU  
EXPECT  
ME TO  
STAND  
HERE  
AND DIE?!



OH MAN, I'M  
SAVED...LOOK, CAN  
YOU TWO TALK  
SOME SENSE INTO  
MOTOKO? SHE'S  
POSSESSED, I'M  
SURE OF IT.



I  
GOTCHA,  
URA-  
SHIMA!

STOP  
RIGHT  
THERE,  
KEITA-  
RO!!



WE'LL  
HOLD HIM  
DOWN  
FOR YOU

MOTOKO,  
WE GOT  
'EM! QUICK,  
KILL THE  
DEMON!!

MUTSU-  
MI, NOT  
YOU,  
TOO?!

WAH-  
HH?!



MY SWORD  
STRIKE HAS  
EVOLVED  
SINCE MY  
LAST FEW  
PITIFUL  
ATTEMPTS.  
PREPARE  
NOW TO  
WITNESS  
THE POWER  
OF THE  
CUTTING  
EVIL STRIKE,  
SECOND  
FORM!

IT'S IRONIC  
THAT THE VERY  
STRIKE THAT  
YOU HELPED ME  
MASTER WILL BE  
THE ONE TO  
PUT AN END TO  
YOU.

ゴゴゴ

YOU WON'T  
DIE. THE  
EVIL THAT  
RESIDES  
WITHIN YOU  
WILL. THAT  
IS THE  
POWER OF  
MY BLADE.

FEAR  
NOT,  
URA-  
SHIMA.

I'M  
GONNA  
DIE!!

OH,  
GOD!

I DON'T LIKE  
THE SOUND  
OF THAT...

...AND WHAT DO  
YOU MEAN,  
GROWING?

THAT IS, IF  
THE STRIKE  
SUCCEEDS...

...AND MY  
SUCCESS RATE  
IS GROWING.

CUTTING  
EVIL  
STRIKE!!  
SECOND  
FORM!!

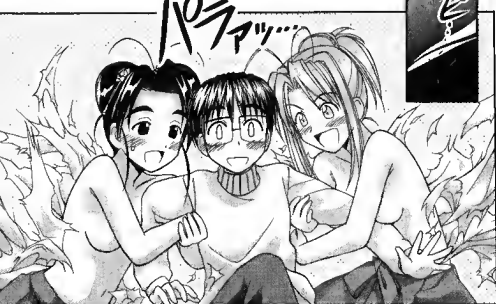
AYAHHH!!

HE  
DIDN'T  
SEEM  
TO BE  
HURT  
ANY-  
WHERE

D-DID  
IT  
WORK?

I AM  
TRULY A  
MASTER  
OF MY  
CRAFT!

YES,  
SUC-  
CESS  
!!





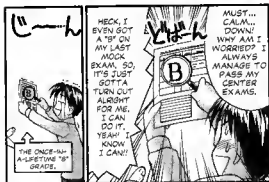




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HINATA 54

Love  
Confession  
on Ice?!









I'M  
EXCITED  
ABOUT  
TAKING IT!

OH, MY!  
THE  
EXAM IS  
FINALLY  
HERE!



EHEHEH,  
W-WHAT  
ON EARTH  
ARE YOU  
TALKING  
ABOUT?  
ME? SCREAM?  
NAH!

OH  
MY,  
REAL-  
LY?

THEN AGAIN, IT'S  
KIND OF A  
REFRESHING  
CHANGE NOT  
HAVING TO BEAR  
YOUR MANIC  
SCREAMING, "I  
CAN'T DO IT!" A  
HUNDRED TIMES  
BEFORE TAKING  
THE TEST.



SEMPAI, I  
BROUGHT  
YOU SOME  
MILK TEA  
TO HELP  
YOU  
STUDY!

D-DON'T  
WORRY.  
IT'LL  
BE NO  
SWEAT!!

I REALLY  
HOPE THAT ALL  
THREE OF US CAN  
PASS TOGETHER,  
DON'T YOU?

♡

YOU SHOULD DO  
JUST FINE,  
MUTSUMI.

JUST REMEMBER  
TO WRITE YOUR  
NAME ON YOUR  
TEST!



THE  
MORE  
THINGS  
CHANGE  
...

WA  
AA  
AH  
NI!

WAAAAHHH!!  
I CAN'T  
HELP IT!!  
IF I SCREW  
THIS UP,  
THEN MY  
LIFE IS  
OVER!!  
I'LL HAVE  
NOTHING!

YOU'RE  
TOTALLY  
NERVOUS  
ABOUT  
THIS,  
AREN'T  
YOU?!

YOU'RE  
TREMBLING!



GIVE IT  
YOUR  
ALL  
TOMOR-  
ROW,  
SEMPAI.

♡

THANK  
YOU,  
SHINOBU.



ポコポコ  
ポコポコ

ARGHHH  
WHO PUT  
THESE  
STAIRS  
HERE?!

AND  
DOWN THE  
STAIRS HE  
GOES.

A  
METAPHOR  
FOR HIS  
ACADEMIC  
LIFE,



AH?

カキーン

THE NEXT DAY ARRIVES AND THE CENTER EXAMS BEGIN.

NOT SAD, THANK YOU. ♥

URK.

MUTSUMI, HOW ARE YOU FEELING?

URK.



EHM... BYE!!

GOOD LUCK! SEE YA!

WE'RE IN SEPARATE CLASS-ROOMS, SO GOOD LUCK, OKAY?

LEAVE MUTSUMI TO ME.

JUST RELAX AND TAKE IT EASY, MASHIMA.

I'M NOT CLAMMING UP, OKAY?

SO, WHAT THE HECK'S UP WITH YOU? IT'S ONLY A TEST! REPEAT WITH ME, IT'S ONLY A TEST!! YOU CAN'T CLAM UP BEFORE IT EVEN BEGINS!



AND THAT MEANS I CAN'T AFFORD TO SCREW UP HERE!!

I-I CAN'T CLAM UP NOW. THIS IS THE YEAR I'M GOING ALL THE WAY!



WAA HH?!

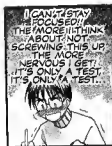
I'M ALRIGHT, I'M ALRIGHT, I'M ALRIGHT...

SO, IF I KEEP DOING WHAT I ALWAYS HAVE, THEN I KNOW I'LL BE ALRIGHT!

PLEASE DO NOT TURN OVER YOUR EXAM UNTIL INSTRUCTED TO DO SO.

A LOT OF STUFF HAS HAPPENED BETWEEN THE THREE OF US... BUT, DESPITE ALL THAT, I KNOW THAT I'VE REMAINED FOCUSED ON MY STUDIES.











THIS IS MY  
DESTINY...



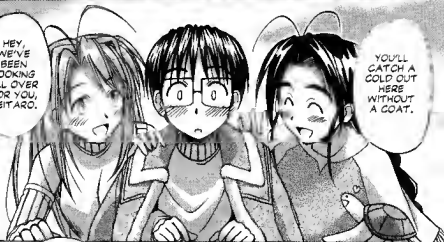
SIGH...

...I'M  
GONNA  
FAL.



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HEY,  
WE'VE  
BEEN  
LOOKING  
ALL OVER  
FOR YOU,  
KEITARO.



YOU'LL  
CATCH A  
COLD OUT  
HERE  
WITHOUT A  
COAT.

WE THOUGHT  
YOU MIGHT  
STILL BE MOP-  
PING AROUND  
THE EXAM  
HALL AFTER  
WE SAW YOU  
ON TV.

AND,  
TAMA-  
CHAN HAD  
A HAND IN  
HELPING  
US OUT!  
♡

B-BOTH  
OF YOU...  
H-HOW  
DID YOU  
KNOW  
I'D BE  
HERE?!

AHH...

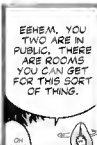
HUH?













...I'M SO SORRY, NARU! MUTSUMI!!

I'M A TOTAL LOSER!!

URM, KEI-TARO?! I'M SUCH A LOSER!!





LOOK, SEE, I CAUGHT ONE! I CAUGHT ONE, HEH HEH.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, I'M TRYING TO INCREASE OUR WINTER FOOD SUPPLY.

SE-SET A? WHY ARE YOU FISHING IN THE MIDDLE OF A SKATING POND?!



ME IF IT ISN'T MY OLD PART-TIMER

HAPPY NEW YEAR'S.

YO!



SO, TELL ME, WHAT'S THE MATTER? THAT LOOKS LIKE A FACE THAT'S UPSET ABOUT SOMETHING.

HHMM?



...YOU SEE I... I DIDN'T DO TOO HOT ON MY EXAM TODAY.

OH...  
...UM...  
OKAY...



...SO WE DECIDED THAT WE'D LIGHTEN UP A BIT AND HAVE SOME FUN. BUT, I'M NOT LIKE HER AND THINGS DIDN'T WORK OUT THE WAY I WANTED.

LAST YEAR, NARU AND I DECIDED THAT WE WEREN'T GOING TO BURN OUT BY STUDYING SO HARD FOR OUR EXAMS...



SO, I KINDA FIGURED THAT SINCE I SCREWED UP ON THE FIRST DAY, I SHOULD SKIP THE NEXT.

REAL-  
LY  
NOW?



UH-  
HUH!

HEY, THAT'S RIGHT. TODAY WAS YOUR CENTER EXAM, WASN'T IT?



WHATEVER YOU  
DO YOU SHOULD  
ENJOY IT  
THAT'S THE  
ONLY WAY TO BE  
HAPPY IN LIFE

YOU NEED  
TO BE MORE  
CONFIDENT IN  
YOUR CHOICES  
AND IN YOUR  
DECISIONS,  
KEITARO.



HMM... I  
SEE, BUT,  
YOU DID  
YOUR  
BEST,  
DIDN'T  
YOU?

THEN  
WHAT'S THERE  
TO REGRET?  
BESIDES,  
HAVING FUN  
IS HARDLY A  
BAD THING.



HA HA HA, SADLY  
THE PATH YOU TAKE  
AND THE FINAL OUT-  
COME REALLY DON'T  
HAVE ANYTHING TO  
DO WITH EACH OTHER,  
I'M AFRAID, THEY'RE  
TWO SEPARATE  
PROBLEMS.  
REALITY REALLY  
BITES.

BUT, WHAT IF IN THE  
END, NOTHING  
COMES OF IT? THEN  
WHAT'S THE POINT?  
I MEAN, LOOK AT  
ME... I'M MISER-  
ABLE!



I'LL EVEN  
HIRE YOU AS AN  
HONEST-TO-  
GOODNESS ASSIS-  
TANT. YOU SEEM  
TO BE A NATURAL  
FOR THIS FIELD  
AFTER ALL.

THE  
PAY  
SUCKS,  
TOO.

IT'S REALLY  
BORING  
THOUGH.

BUT  
IF YOUR  
EXAMS  
DON'T WORK  
OUT, YOU  
CAN ALWAYS  
COME TO  
WORK FOR  
ME.



SIGH.



UM...  
AHHK...  
BUT...

THEY  
ARE  
REALLY  
GOOD!  
♡

HOW  
ABOUT  
A FISH  
SKEWER?



AH HA  
HA, SORRY,  
MY BAD.

GEE, SETA,  
THANKS FOR  
TALKING TO  
ME... YOU  
SORT OF  
MAKE  
SENSE.

...I ALSO THINK THAT IT'S A REAL WASTE IF YOU GIVE UP ON EVERYTHING NOW.

KEIARO, I THINK THAT IT'S GOOD THAT YOU'RE HAVING FUN, BUT...

YOU'RE RIGHT, I GUESS IT'S A WASTE. I'VE SPENT THREE YEARS AS A RONIN. WHAT'S ANOTHER YEAR?



BUT HE'S RIGHT. WHAT'S THE USE OF REGRETTING ANYTHING NOW?

I DON'T CARE HOW THIS ALL ENDS. I'M GOING TO SEE THIS THROUGH TO THE END.

NARU, I'M SO SORRY FOR EVEN THINKING ABOUT GIVING UP.

EVEN IF IT SEEMS LIKE EVERYTHING'S TOTALLY CRAPPY AROUND ME, I'M NOT GONNA GIVE UP! I'M TAKING THAT EXAM TOMORROW!

SETA TOLD ME WHERE YOU WENT...

HUH?!

THEY SEEM SO SIMILAR.

WOULD YOU CARE FOR ONE?

CATCH ANY FISH?

!?

YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD ALREADY FAILED, SO YOU WANTED TO RUN AWAY. YEP, THAT SOUNDS LIKE SOMETHING YOU'D DO.

HMMM, SO THAT WAS WHAT WAS ON YOUR MIND, HUM?

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I KNOW EXACTLY HOW YOU THINK.

I HAD A HUNCH WE'VE KNOW EACH OTHER FOR A WHILE NOW.

WE'RE GOING TO DO YOUR SELF-EVALUATION NOW, OKAY?

NARU, DID YOU... DID YOU KNOW WHAT WAS GOING ON?











YOU JERK!!  
HOW DARE YOU  
MAKE ME WORRY SO  
MUCH? I ADMITTED  
SOME REALLY  
STUPID THINGS JUST  
BECAUSE I THOUGHT  
YOU FLUNKED THAT  
TEST!!

DON'T,  
NARU!!

I SAID  
I'M  
SORRY!!



THIS IS  
UNBELIEVABLE! I  
COULD HAVE  
SWORN I FLUNKED  
THAT THING

A MAN  
CURSED  
WITH THE  
MOST  
BIZARRE  
LUCK WITH  
TESTS..



EHEH,  
THANKS  
FOR NOT  
KILLIN'  
ME.

YOUR  
CONFIDENCE  
IS  
STILL A  
FAILURE.

... SOME OF  
THE STUFF  
YOU STUDIED  
ACTUALLY  
SUNK IN  
FINALLY.

OH,  
WELL  
...



THANK  
YOU SO  
MUCH  
NARU

AND  
PLEASE DO  
YOUR BEST  
TOMORROW

SO, ARE  
YOU  
FEELING  
UP TO  
SOME  
MORE  
SKATING?

SURE  
THING.



AND SO,  
OUR  
THREE  
RONINS  
ALL MADE  
IT PAST  
THE FIRST  
HURDLE!

THEY ...  
THEY BOTH GOT  
BETTER  
SCORES  
THAN ME

YAY! ♡  
THIS IS THE  
FIRST  
TIME I'VE  
EVER  
PASSED!

PHEN  
.. I  
DID  
IT.

THE  
NEXT  
DAY.



# Love Hina

HINATA.55

That Serious Guy is a Criminal?!



YEP, AND NOW THAT THE CENTER EXAMS ARE OVER, ALL THAT'S LEFT IS THE REAL THING.

AMH, THERE'S NOTHING LIKE A GOOD HOT BATH TO RELIEVE THE STRESS OF STUDYING!

WELL, HARUKA SENDS HER OVER HERE WHEN SHE'S OFF.

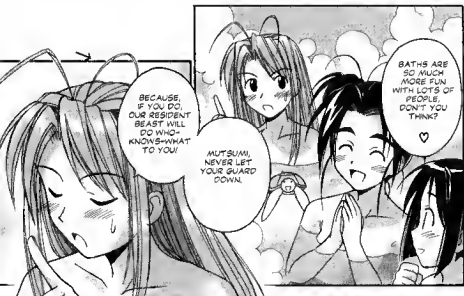
SO, HOW'S IT GOING OVER AT THE CAFE? ARE YOU USED TO EVERYTHING YET?

MY, IF IT AIN'T THE TURTLE GIRL. YOU SEEM TO BE HERE ALL THE TIME NOW.

HEEYAAASS!!

WORK'S KIND OF... OH, MY! HELLO THERE!

ドバジャーン



BECAUSE, IF YOU DO, OUR RESIDENT BEAST WILL DO WHO-KNOWS-WHAT TO YOU!

MUTSUMI, NEVER LET YOUR GUARD DOWN.

BATHS ARE SO MUCH MORE FUN WITH LOTS OF PEOPLE. DON'T YOU THINK?

♡

UH, TAMA-CHAN'S HARMLESS... KEITARO'S THE MONSTER! I CAN'T EVEN BEGIN TO FATHOM THE NUMBER OF TIMES HE'S PEEPED IN ON ME WHILE I'M TAKING A BATH!

MYUH?

WHAT'S THAT?



YOU MEAN TAMA-CHAN?



...I WONDER WHAT KIND OF LAKE EXCUSE HE'S GOT FOR US THIS TIME?

NOW THEN ...



HE'S HEADING THIS WAY!

SHINOBU, QUICK! HIDE BEHIND ME.

SPEAK OF THE DEVIL! LOOK, THERE'S HIS SHADOW NOW!

♡

HE ALWAYS COMES UP WITH SOME STUPID REASON FOR PEEPING.

I DON'T THINK SEMPAI MEANS TO DO IT INTENTIONALLY.

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1878...  
THE TREATY  
OF BERLIN.  
1966...THE  
CULTURAL  
REVOLUTION.

1837...THE  
HUNDRED  
YEARS  
WAR.  
1857...THE  
SEPOY  
WAR.

OKAY I HAVE TO  
FINISH UP  
CALCULUS FIRST  
SO I CAN GET  
CRACKING ON MY  
VERBAL AND  
WRITTEN ENGLISH  
COMPREHENSION  
SKILLS

ALRIGHT  
NOW IT'S  
TIME FOR  
THE  
TOPICS  
THAT I  
SUCK AT.







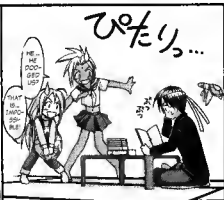


HEARD  
YA GAVE  
UP ON THE  
WHOLE  
PEEPING  
THINGY?!

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HEYA,  
KEI TARO!!

DODGE











...AND IT'S  
MAKING HIM  
LOOK A  
HECK OF A  
LOT CUTER  
THAN  
NORMAL!



THERE'S  
SOME-  
THING...  
DIFFERENT  
ABOUT  
KEITARO...



ACK!  
DON'T  
LOOK AT  
ME!!

URM!  
THIS  
IS...  
URM  
URM!

YOU'RE  
THE ONE  
IN HERE  
DRESSED  
INAPPROPRI-  
ATELY!!



HEE  
E!!

WAH?!  
KITSUNE!!  
WHERE  
ARE YOUR  
CLOTHES?!



EH??



NO NO NO!  
KEITARO'S  
NOT ANY  
FUN!!

EEHH  
HHH?!

URM...  
I THINK  
THAT  
KEITARO'S  
FINE AND  
DANDY  
THE WAY  
HE IS.



H-HOW  
DID  
IT GO,  
KIT-  
SUNE?!

PHEEW!

IF ANY-  
THING, HE  
WAS MUCH  
TOO EASY  
GOING AND  
RELAXED  
UNTIL NOW.

I THINK  
KITARO'S  
FINALLY  
DISCOVERED  
THE TRUE  
MEANING  
OF BEING A  
MAN... BEING  
DEDICATED  
AND  
SERIOUS.

ACTUALLY,  
I AGREE  
WITH  
KITASUNE'S  
ASSESS-  
MENT.

URM...  
MO-  
TOKO?

うんうん  
IT'S  
GOOD TO  
SEE HIM SO  
FOCUSED AND  
NOT TEMPTED  
BY THE  
LURE OF THE  
FEMALE.

AAHH NO!  
MOTOKO  
AND  
KITASUNE  
HAVE  
TOTALLY  
FALLEN  
FOR HIM!!

ほほほ  
え

AHH YES,  
URASHIMA  
HAS TRULY  
CHANGED  
FOR THE  
BETTER.

THANK  
YOU,  
URASHIMA,  
FOR  
FOCUSING  
SO HARD  
ON YOUR  
STUDIES.

WELCOME  
BACK,  
MOTOKO.  
GOOD TO  
SEE YOU  
AGAIN.

S-SAY,  
SU?

AWW  
PHOOEY,  
THEY'RE  
ALL  
BORING.

NO,  
STOP!  
THAT'S  
A BAD  
IDEA!!

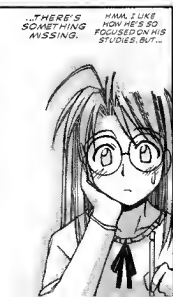
...I COULD PLOP  
THIS HERE  
PERSONALITY  
ALTERATION  
HELMET ON HIS  
HEAD AND GIVE  
HIM THIS SUPER  
SECRET DRUG  
AND--

OKAY,  
ENOUGH!  
I TAKE  
IT BACK,  
SU!!

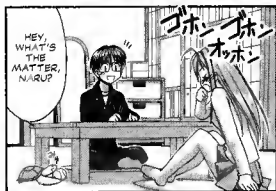
HMM,  
NOW  
THAT  
YOU  
MEN-  
TION  
IT...

CAN'T  
YOU BUILD  
SOME  
KIND OF  
MACHINE  
TO TURN  
SEMPAI  
BACK TO  
NORMAL?









1P9  
1P9  
MAYBE  
I'LL TAKE  
IT OFF,  
HUH?  
♡

I KNOW  
IT'S  
WINTER,  
BUT... BOY,  
IT SURE IS  
GETTING  
HOT IN  
HERE.  
DON'T YOU  
THINK?

JUS...  
JUST  
HOLD ON  
KEITARO!  
I DIDN'T  
MEAN  
TO... I  
DON'T--

OH MY  
GOD!  
MAYBE I  
WENT  
TOO FAR  
THIS  
TIME!!

HEE  
EE?!

NA...  
NARU!!

W...  
WAIT  
...

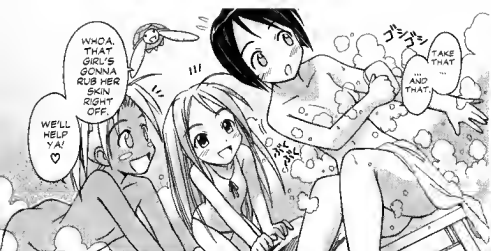
I'VE GOT AN ALL-  
NIGHTER AHEAD  
OF ME. SO, I'LL  
SEE YOU IN THE  
MORNING. SEE YA.  
♡

PIP.

SORRY  
NARU. I  
GUESS I  
HAD THE  
HEATER UP  
TOO HIGH  
HUH?











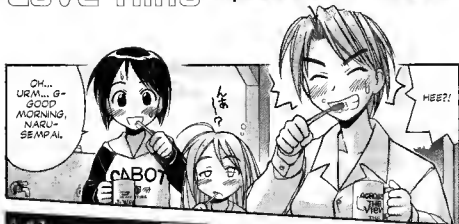




# Love Hina

HINATA.56

Palpitations on the Love Love Boat. ♡







OF COURSE, THIS GIRL'S A TOTALLY DIFFERENT STORY.

I JUST GOT OUT OF THE BAAAAATH.

GOOD MORNING EVERY-ONNNE.

OOOH, IT'S THE TURTLE LADY.  
HEY, MUTSUMI!

GEEZ, I COULDN'T LIVE WITH MYSELF IF I LOOKED LIKE THAT.



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HOW CAN YOU BE A MORNING PERSON IF YOU STAY UP ALL NIGHT?

WHO STOLE THE MUTSUMI WHO DROPS DEAD EVERY MINUTE?

WHY ISN'T MUTSUMI ACTING ALL SLUGGISH LIKE WE ARE?

WE ALL PULLED THE SAME ALL NIGHT!



AT THIS POINT, ALL WE CAN REALLY DO IS STUDY UNTIL OUR BRAINS FALL OUT.

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YEP.

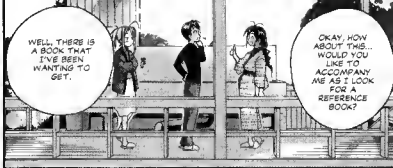
WE'RE ALMOST AT THE FINISH LINE, AREN'T WE?





WELL, THERE IS  
A BOOK THAT  
I'VE BEEN  
WANTING TO  
GET.

OKAY, HOW  
ABOUT THIS...  
WOULD YOU  
LIKE TO  
ACCOMPANY  
ME AS I LOOK  
FOR A  
REFERENCE  
BOOK?



EH HEH  
HEH.

OUT OF  
CURIOSITY,  
WHAT  
BROUGHT  
THIS UP?

HMPH,  
WHY DO  
YOU NEED  
MY PERMIS-  
SION FOR  
SOMETHING  
LIKE THAT?

UM...  
THAT IS,  
IF IT'S  
ALL  
RIGHT  
WITH  
YOU...



ACTUALLY, I  
DOUBT  
THIS  
COUL'DVE  
COME AT  
A BETTER  
TIME.

I  
WONDER  
WHAT'S  
GOTTEN  
INTO HER?

OKAY,  
SOUNDS  
GOOD.

I'LL MEET  
YOU AT 2  
P.M. IN  
FRONT OF  
THE  
FOUNTAIN  
OUTSIDE  
THE TRAIN  
STATION,  
ALRIGHT?



YOU SEE,  
MUTSUMI  
STILL HAS NO  
CLUE THAT  
SHE'S THE  
GIRL YOU  
MADE THAT  
PROMISE TO.

HUH?



WHAT?  
HEY,  
WAIT...  
NARU?!

UM

AND IF YOU TWO  
KEEP ACTING LIKE  
YOU HAVE, THEN I  
DOUBT SHE'LL  
EVER FIGURE IT  
OUT. SO, WHY  
DON'T YOU USE  
THIS LITTLE DATE  
AS YOUR CHANCE  
TO TELL HER?



THOSE WERE THE DAYS...

FUNNY, THIS IS THE SAME PLACE I MET NARU WHEN WE WENT OUT.

HERE I AM!

BUT, AFTER I TELL HER... THEN WHAT?

IT WAS MUTSUMI... I'VE GOT TO TELL HER THE TRUTH.

HEH, SORRY, IT TOOK ME A WHILE TO GET READY.

NAH, I JUST GOT HERE.

YOU KILLED MY DATE!!

I HOPE I DIDN'T KEEP YOU WAITING LONG.







WHAT IS IT, URASHI-MA?



UM, EXCUSE ME... MUT-SUM?

OKAY, WE GOT OUR BOOKS. IT'S TIME TO TELL HER.



YAY! FOOD!

EH? UH, SURE.



WHAT'D YOU EXPECT... WE'RE AT A BEEF BOWL RESTAURANT!



THIS IS MY FAVORITE... A DOUBLE-PACKED BEEF BOWL! IT'S SO TASTY!

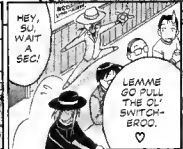
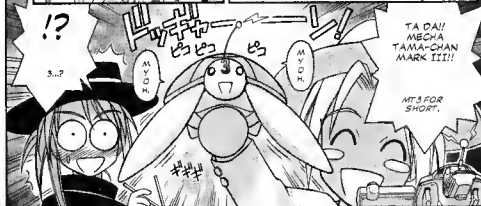


OH, YES?



HUH, URA-SHIMA?

THEN AGAIN, I REALLY CAN'T SAY ANYTHING. AFTER ALL, I DID TREAT NARU TO A PLACE LIKE THIS BEFORE.















KEITARO  
I'M SO  
HAPPY  
THIS IS A  
GREAT  
FIRST  
DATE!

OH,  
NO!  
NOW  
WE  
LOOK  
EVEN  
MORE  
LIKE A  
COUPLE!!

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MUH?  
UM,  
NO...  
NOTHING

IS  
SOME-  
THING  
WRONG?



PA-  
THE-  
TIC,  
AIN'T  
IT?

OH, GAG  
ME... GET  
A ROOM,  
YOU TWO.



HMP?



UH



I'VE GOT  
TO TELL  
HER THE  
TRUTH!!

AAHHH  
!!  
WHAT  
AM I  
THINK-  
ING?!



HEY  
PANT-  
ES.

...WHY  
THAT  
LITTLE  
PERVERTED  
TROLL!

GAHH





...THAT I'D GO TO TOKYO UNIVERSITY WITH THEM ONE DAY

... WHEN I WAS REALLY REALLY YOUNG ...

...A PROMISE TO SOMEONE...

OOH THIS IS GETTING A LITTLE KINKY!!

THAT BASTARD HE'S GOT HIS HEAD IN HER LAP NOW!!

I KIND OF MAD ...



...MUTSUMI'S BEEN THINKING ABOUT IT AS WELL.

I GUESS



OH... NO...NO WAY.

HEHE, YOU THINK IT'S SILLY, DON'T YOU?



BECAUSE, I... I'M REALLY INDEBTED TO YOU...

IT'S BECAUSE I WANTED TO PROPERLY THANK YOU AT LEAST ONCE.

B-BUT... WHY ARE YOU BRINGING THIS UP NOW, MUTSUMI?



AND THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT, I REALLY FEEL THAT THIS YEAR, I'LL BE ABLE TO GET INTO TOKYO U ALONG WITH BOTH OF YOU.

BUT DESPITE ALL THAT, YOU STILL HANG OUT WITH ME WITHOUT EVER MAKING A BIG DEAL ABOUT IT.

I'M KIND OF A TOTAL KLUTZ AND I GET SICK A LOT, SO, I'M REALLY SORRY FOR ALWAYS CAUSING YOU TWO SO MUCH TROUBLE.

UM, WELL... MAYBE NOT ME.



...AND TO NARU AS WELL



THERE  
IS ONE  
OTHER  
THING...

OH...  
NO...  
PLEASE  
...

...YOU  
DON'T  
HAVE  
TO THANK  
ME FOR  
ANYTHING.

THANK  
YOU SO  
MUCH,  
URA-  
SHIMA.



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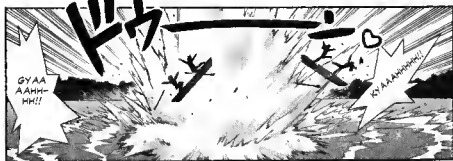
IT'S BEEN  
LIKE THAT  
EVER SINCE  
WE MET,  
LAST  
SPRING...

THAT'S  
WHY I...  
I THINK  
THAT  
MAYBE  
...

...I DON'T  
KNOW IF I'VE  
TOLD YOU  
BEFORE, BUT  
LOOKING AT  
YOUR FACE  
REALLY HELPS  
PUT ME AT  
EASE.

ARGGGG  
HHHH?!







YOU'RE  
NOT  
HELPING,  
SU!!



RIGHT...  
WE WEREN'T  
DOING  
ANYTHING  
SUSPICIOUS!

HMM, OH  
REALLY? IT  
SEEMS LIKE  
YOU'RE TRY-  
ING TO HIDE  
THE FACT  
THAT WE'RE  
LOVERS.

URM...  
UHM... IT'S  
NOTHING!!  
WE WERE, ER,  
OUT FOR A  
WALK!



YOU  
KNOW  
WHAT?



IT  
WAS  
A LOT  
OF  
FUN.

THANK  
YOU FOR  
TODAY.



HEY,  
URA-  
SUMIWA?

SIGH, I WAS  
SUPPOSED TO  
COME RIGHT  
OUT AND TELL  
HER EVERYTHING,  
BUT I DIDN'T  
EVEN HAVE A  
CHANCE TO  
START.



...WERE  
THE  
PERSON  
THAT I  
MADE  
THAT  
PROMISE  
TOO  
INSTEAD.

...I  
WAS  
THINKING  
THAT I  
WISH  
YOU...

JUST  
KID-  
DING



...  
MUT-  
SUMI?

MUTSUMI!  
TAKE A BATH,  
OKAY?

ムツムツ...

AH...



I'LL  
SEE  
YOU  
TOMOR-  
ROW!!

WHAP?





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Sweet Cho-co-late  
♡

SIGH. EVER  
SINCE THE  
LAKE I  
HAVEN'T BEEN  
ABLE TO LOOK  
MUTSUMI  
STRAIGHT IN  
THE FACE.

?

MMMM?

GOSH,  
I'M SO  
NERVOUS  
ABOUT  
THAT  
EXAM.

...GAH,  
I'M SO  
NERVOUS!

URRRRGH.  
IT'S  
FINALLY  
TOMOR-  
ROW...

WAIT A SEC,  
I DON'T  
REMEMBER  
THERE BEING  
A TEST  
TOMORROW.

SO,  
KEI'ARO'S  
PULLING  
ANOTHER  
ALL-NIGHTER.

THEN SO AM I.

SO, I'VE  
GOT TO MAKE  
THE BEST FAKE  
CHOCOLATE  
EVER CREATED!!

TOMORROW IS  
VALENTINE'S  
DAY!!



\* CHOCOLATE GIVEN TO FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES IS KNOWN AS GIRI-CHOCO, WHILE CHOCOLATE GIVEN TO LOVERS AND PEOPLE YOU LIKE IS CALLED HONMEI-CHOCO.



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P-PLEASE  
ACCEPT  
THIS  
FROM  
ME!!

UM... S-S-  
S-  
SEMPAI?!



HEEEESY!!  
KEIT ARO!!

I...I  
DID IT!

WOW!  
THANK  
YOU SO  
MUCH!!



Y-YES!  
G-G-GOOD  
LUCK ON  
YOUR  
ENTRANCE  
EXAMS,  
SEMPAI!!

REALLY?!  
YOU'RE  
REALLY  
GIVING ME  
CHOCOLATE,  
SHINOBU?!  
YOU DON'T  
KNOW HOW  
MUCH THIS  
MEANS TO  
ME!!



THIS YEAR,  
IT'S EXTRA  
SPICY!!

HERE'S MY  
SPECIAL  
CURRY  
GIRI-  
CHOCO!!  
EAT  
UP!

ISN'T IT  
YUMMO?

BLAA  
GHHH.

EHEH!  
NORMALLY, I  
HAVE ENOUGH  
COMMON SENSE  
TO REFRAIN  
FROM MORE...  
MODERN  
CUSTOMS LIKE  
THIS, BUT...

WHY DO  
I DO THIS  
EVERY  
YEAR?

EHHH,  
MO-  
MOTO-  
KO?!

UGH,  
URA-  
SHIMA?

DANG  
IT,  
SU!!

STAY  
STILL!





WHAT,  
THAT?!

H-  
HERE,  
HAVE  
THIS.

SERIOUSLY,  
MOTOKO?!  
FROM  
YOU?! THIS  
MEANS A  
LOT!!

...SINCE YOU WERE  
KIND ENOUGH TO  
HELP ME WITH MY  
TRAINING LAST  
YEAR ... LET'S JUST  
SAY IT'S WHAT ANY  
CONSIDERATE  
PERSON WOULD DO,  
SO DON'T READ ANY  
FURTHER INTO THIS,  
ALL RIGHT?

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HEY, DORK!  
I HAVEN'T  
FORGOTTEN  
ABOUT THAT  
CRAPPY  
CHRISTMAS  
PRESENT YOU  
GAVE ME, BUT  
HERE'S A  
LITTLE SOME-  
THING FROM  
ME, TOO.

SEE, IT SAYS  
GIRI-CHOCO!

DON'T  
FORGET  
ME ON  
WHITE  
DAY\*!

HERE YOU  
GO,  
KEITARO.  
I'LL GIVE  
YOU SOME-  
THING TOO.  
THE USUAL...  
10 YEN  
CHOCOLATE.

OF... OF  
COURSE  
NOT! IT'S  
SOMETHING  
I PICKED UP  
ONE DAY.

WOOOOW!!  
THIS WAS  
PRETTY  
EXPENSIVE,  
WASN'T IT?

SO, HOW  
MUCH  
DID IT  
COST?



AAAAH,  
WHY'D I  
HAVE TO  
INHERIT  
SUCH  
CRAPPY  
COOKING  
SKILLS!!

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ON TOP OF  
THAT, MY  
GIRI-CHOCO  
TURNED OUT  
REALLY CRAP-  
TACULAR.



AND I  
DOUBT MY  
PRIDE  
COULD  
TAKE IT.

IF... IF I  
GAVE HIM  
SOMETHING  
THIS PATHETIC,  
HE'D PROBABLY  
LAUGH AT  
ME FOR SURE.

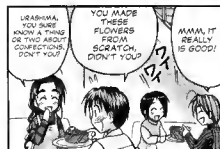
\* ON 2/14, GIRLS GIVE GUYS CHOCOLATE AND ON 3/14, "WHITE DAY," GUYS RETURN THE FAVOR.



D-DAMN  
THAT  
KEITARO.  
HE'S  
POPULAR  
THIS  
YEAR!

義理チョコ!!  
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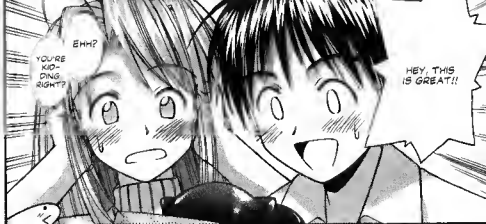












EHM?  
YOU'RE KID-  
DING RIGHT?

HEY, THIS  
IS GREAT!!



HAHAH

DOOB



HMMP  
HEY...  
YOU'RE  
RIGHT.

MM  
MMH

NO,  
I'M  
NOT.  
HERE.  
TRY  
IT.



HEY  
DON'T  
SAY  
THAT.

MUTSUMI'S  
CHOCOLATE IS  
WAY BETTER  
THAN THIS  
THOUGH



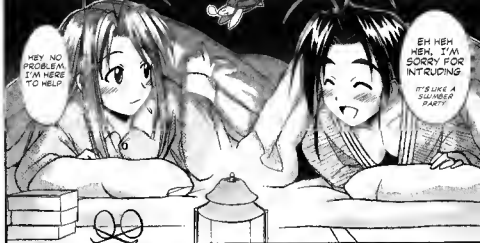
EH  
...?



CROSS  
MY HEART  
NARU.

OUT OF ALL  
THE  
CHOCOLATE  
I HAD  
TODAY,  
THIS IS BY  
FAR THE  
BEST ONE!





HEY NO  
PROBLEM,  
I'M HERE  
TO HELP

EH HEH  
HEH, I'M  
SORRY FOR  
INTRUDING

IT'S LIKE A  
SUMMER  
PARTY



ACTUALLY,  
I JUST RAN  
INTO HIM IN  
THE HALL.  
HE LET ME  
TRY SOME.  
IT'S REALLY  
GOOD.

WHO'S  
THE  
SNITCH?!



I'M  
CURIOUS...

WHY I  
OUGHTA...



...WHAT  
WOULD  
MAKE YOU  
THINK  
THAT?!

WHA  
...



UH,  
MENE...  
I'M  
NOT  
SURE  
HOW I  
FEEL.

SPEAK  
FOR  
YOURSELF,  
THEN. HOW  
DO YOU  
FEEL?



...IS IT  
SAFE FOR  
ME TO  
ASSUME  
THAT YOU  
LIKE  
URASHIMA?

!!!?



WHAT ARE YOU DOING? WHY SHOULD I CONFESS IF YOU'RE NOT GOING TO!! HEY, STOP! RAPE!! RAPE!!

COME ON NOW!!  
♡  
CONFESS! TELL YOUR BIG SISTER EVERYTHING!

WHA- THE HECK?

THAT'S FINE. I SUPPOSE WE SHOULDN'T GET DISTRACTED RIGHT BEFORE THE BIG DAY

I WANNA REMAIN FOCUSED.

MUTSUMI, I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND, BUT CAN WE SKIP ALL THE STUFF ABOUT WHO WE LIKE UNTIL AFTER THE EXAMS?

KEITARO, GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE I NAIL THAT SHUT!

HEY, WHAT'S ALL THAT NOISE?

NOW IF ONLY HE'D DO THE SAME

UH FU FU.

ISN'T IT PAST YOUR BED-TIME?

PEEPING TOMS AREN'T WELCOME. BLAH!

GIVE ME A BREAK.

YES, PINKY SWEAR!  
♡  
THERE WON'T BE ANY UNFAIR ADVANCES UNTIL AFTER OUR EXAMS.  
♡

SO, IT'S AGREED THEN?

AND WHAT ARE YOU IMPLYING BY THAT?!

OH, NOTHING I'M TURNING IN NOW.

I DIDN'T PINKY SWEAR TO THAT!

ASHTY NIGHT!

MUTSUMI







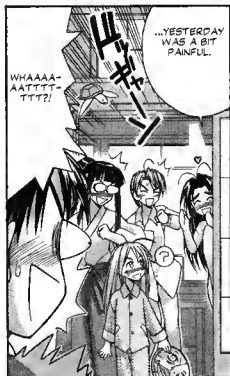


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Hinale.58 My Papa is a Ronin Stone?!











...ARE YOU  
GOING TO  
FESS UP  
AND TAKE  
RESPON-  
SIBILITY FOR  
YOUR  
ACTIONS?

SO ...

IF YOU  
CAN'T  
REMEMBER  
SOMETHING  
LIKE THAT,  
THEN LAY  
OFF THE  
SAUCE AND  
KEEP YOUR  
PANTS ON!!



URASHIMA,  
YOUR  
ACTIONS  
ARE UNFOR-  
GIVABLE.

SECOND,  
YOU HAVE  
A RESPON-  
SIBILITY TO  
MUTSUMI'S  
STOLEN  
CHASTITY.

FIRST OF ALL AS  
OUR LANDLORD,  
YOU HAVE A  
RESPONSIBILITY  
TO US, YOUR  
RESIDENTS, TO  
EXPLAIN YOUR  
ACTIONS LAST  
NIGHT.

RESPON-  
SIBILITY?  
FOR  
WHAT?!



LOOK  
UP  
ON  
THE  
TABLE

IT  
SEEMS  
THAT'S HIS  
STATE-  
MENT.  
TAMA-  
CHAN, DO  
YOU SUP-  
PORT OR  
DENY?

TAMA-CHAN  
BIT ME THERE  
THAT'S HOW  
SHE ASKS FOR  
FOOD EACH  
MORNING



WHAT  
THEY  
WAIT,  
THAT'S  
NOT A  
HICKEY.

OOOH!  
♥  
LOOKIE,  
HE'S  
GOT A  
HICKEY ON  
HIS  
NECK!



MOTOKO,  
I SWEAR  
ON MY  
MOTHER'S  
GRAVE  
THAT I'M  
INNOCENT!!

THE TIME  
HAS FINALLY  
COME FOR  
ME TO  
STRIKE YOU  
DOWN ONCE  
AND FOR  
ALL

HEY,  
WHAT'S  
THIS  
MARK?



WHAT?!

LOOKS  
LIKE THE  
WITNESS  
HAS CHOSEN  
TO DENY  
YOUR CLAIM.

SINCE WHEN  
DID YOU GET A  
DEGREE IN  
TURTLES?

MYUH.

重要参考人

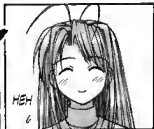




WRR-  
GGG  
PPRR-  
GHH!

LOOK'S  
LIKE A  
NEW  
RECORD!  
♡

WOOA



HEH  
6



...  
NARU?

UH...



...MAKING  
THAT PROMISE  
AND THEN  
HANDING HIM  
THE WHOLE  
PIE.

AND  
SWEET  
AND  
INNOCENT  
MITSUMI'S  
SO FULL OF  
CRAP.

I HOPE  
THAT SLIME  
BALL DROPS  
DEAD!!



- AND  
NOW SHE'S  
PREGNANT!!

HOW  
COULD  
SHE  
BE SO  
EASY?



...SHE  
KNOW  
THAT  
ALL  
READY?



HOW  
COULD  
...

WAO?

...

YO, NARU, WHAT'S NEW?

MAYBE I'M JUMPING TO CONCLUSIONS BUT THEY AREN'T DENYING THAT THEY DID SLEEP TOGETHER.

...THIS ISN'T HER FIRST TIME!!

UN-LESS...



YOU'VE GOTTA BE KID-DING?!

IT WAS AN EYE OPENER.

HOW'D THINGS GO LAST NIGHT?

YEP, SHE WAKES UP LOOKING FOR THE BATH-ROOM AND ENDS UP TAK-ING A NOSE DIVE DOWN THE STAIRS OR PEEING ON THE FLOOR...

MITSUMI'S SLEEPING HABITS ARE THAT BAD?

...OR GETTING HIT BY CARDS... YOU GET THE POINT.

...AND UDDO-KUN WAS IN KEITARO'S ROOM.

THERE WAS THAT BIT OF CLOTH I FOUND...

IT... IT'S MORE THAN POSSIBLE...

I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED IF YOU TOLD ME THAT SHE FELL THROUGH THAT HOLE IN YOUR ROOM.

THAT'LL TEACH ME TO JUMP TO CONCLUSIONS.

I FEEL SO SILLY NOW. MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE LISTENED TO KEITARO AFTER ALL.





E LIL' JAVA.



OH WELL, I  
BETTER  
SO  
APOLO-  
GIZE TO HIM  
THEN.

LOOK,  
IT'S  
SNOWING.

I  
SUPPOSE  
SHE'S  
RIGHT.  
NOW ISN'T  
THE TIME  
TO BE  
FIGHTING  
OVER  
PETTY  
STUFF.

TRY  
AND GET  
ALONG,  
HUM?

MY TEST  
CAME  
BACK  
POSITIVE  
♥

WAS I SO  
OUT OF IT  
THAT I'D  
TOTALLY  
FORGET THE  
MOST  
IMPORTANT  
THING IN MY  
LIFE?

AS HARD AS I  
TRY, I CAN'T  
SEEM TO  
REMEMBER  
ANYTHING  
ABOUT LAST  
NIGHT,

...WHAT IF  
WE REALLY  
DID HAVE  
SEX?!

OH NO,  
WH...  
WHAT IF  
WE...

AWW, HEY  
THERE, YOU  
HAVE YOUR  
MOMMY'S  
EYES,  
GOOCHI  
GOOCHI  
GOO.

KEITARO, SAY  
HI TO YOUR  
DAUGHTER,  
RITSUKO.

WHOA,  
GET  
DOWN  
ARE,  
HAPPY.

IF THAT'S THE  
CASE, WHY WON'T  
YOU LET ME  
REMEMBER IT?!  
PLEASE, I WANT TO  
REMEMBER IT!!

I DON'T WANNA  
BE A VIRGIN

IF WE  
REALLY  
DID DO IT,  
THEN  
THAT  
MEANS...





I COULD  
GET A  
JOB AT A  
MCDONALD'S  
AND  
MUTSUMI  
COULD STAY  
HOME. IT'D  
BE PERFECT.

HEY,  
URA-  
SHIMA!!

EHP?



LIKE THAT  
WOULD  
HAPPEN....

REALLY  
YOU MEAN  
IT? SHOULD  
I GET A  
GLASS?

WOULD  
PAPA  
LIKE  
SOME  
TOO?

SHHH.  
DON'T  
CRY NOW.  
MOMMY'S  
GOT YOUR  
MILK.



NARU,  
WHY ARE  
YOU  
HERE?!

HERE  
WE GO  
AGAIN.

TYPICAL.  
STARING  
OUT INTO  
SPACE  
AGAIN.



OH

TEE  
HEE

UH,  
WHAT  
BULGE?

NICE  
BULGE IN  
YOUR  
PANTS?



AND IF THE  
KID'S MINE, YOU  
DON'T HAVE TO  
DRAG ME ONTO  
A TALK SHOW  
BECAUSE I'LL  
TAKE RESPON-  
SIBILITY FOR IT!  
NO PROBLEMS  
THERE.

...MUTSUMI  
ABOUT LAST  
NIGHT. IT'S ALL  
KIND OF A BLUR  
SO IF I WASN'T  
GOOD THEN I  
APOLOGIZE. I'LL  
MAKE IT UP TO  
YOU



YOU  
LOOK  
HAPPY

WHAT'S ON  
YOUR MIND?

AHH!!  
MUTSUMI,  
WHERE'D  
YOU COME  
FROM?!

I WAS  
HARD?!

YOU WERE  
AMAZ-  
ING...AND  
SO HARD...

ABOUT LAST  
NIGHT...I  
REMEMBER  
IT LIKE  
IT WAS  
YESTERDAY.  
♡

...IT WAS LIKE I  
WAS FLOATING  
AND THE NEXT  
THING I KNEW I  
COLLIDED WITH  
YOUR ROCK  
HARD HEAD...

OH, YES,  
I MUST'VE  
BEEN SLEEP  
WALKING  
AGAIN AND  
THEN I SAW  
THIS BUNNY  
AND I FELL  
DOWN THIS  
HOLE...

THEN  
WHY'D  
YOU HAVE  
TO GO  
AND SAY  
WHAT YOU  
DID, HUH?!

OH, THAT. I  
WANTED TO TELL  
YOU THAT I  
FINALLY FINISHED  
THOSE REALLY  
HARD MATH PROBLEMS  
YOU LET ME  
BORROW.

DANG, YOU  
MEAN I'M NOT  
GONNA BE A  
DADDY... IN  
THAT CASE,  
WHAT WERE  
YOU TALKING  
ABOUT THIS  
MORNINGS?

DAAM!

...WHEN I  
WOKE UP,  
IT WAS  
ALREADY  
MORNING  
AND EVERY-  
ONE WAS SO  
HAPPY TO  
SEE ME.  
♡

DIS-  
APPOINT-  
ED? WHY I  
OUGHT-  
TA...

IN A WAY,  
I'M KIND  
OF DISAP-  
POINTED  
NOTHING  
HAPPENED.

NOW  
THAT'S  
COMFORTING  
TO KNOW  
THANKS FOR  
NOT TELLING  
ME

...I  
FIGURED  
ALL THIS  
OUT BEFORE  
YOU DID.

NO!!  
STAY  
AWAY  
FROM  
ME!!  
HELP!!

...GET BACK  
HERE!! I'M  
GONNA  
NEUTER YOU  
MYSELF!!

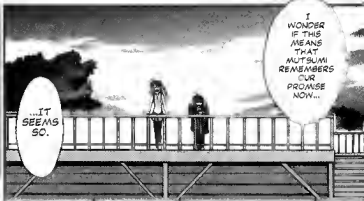
THE  
OTHERS  
HAVE  
CALMED  
DOWN  
NOW.













I'M HAPPY  
FOR YOU,  
AND YOU  
SHOULD  
BE HAPPY  
TO!

WHY THE  
LONG  
FACE?



MEAN  
IT?

I WANT YOU  
TO REMAIN  
FOCUSED SO  
WE CAN ALL  
GET IN  
TOGETHER.



BUT YOU'VE GOT  
PLENTY OF CRAP  
TO WORRY  
ABOUT. DON'T  
LET WHAT  
HAPPENED  
TODAY  
DISTRACT YOU.



TRUST  
ME, ON  
THIS ONE.

AND THEN  
I WANT  
YOU TO  
ASK HER  
OUT!

HEY,  
NOT  
SO FAST!

DID YOU EVER DOUBT  
IT? HEY, I KNOW  
WHAT YOU CAN DO!  
AFTER YOUR EXAMS  
ARE OVER I WANT  
YOU TO MARCH RIGHT  
UP TO MUTSUMI AND  
TELL HER EVERYTHING  
YOU KNOW.



KEI-  
TARO

I...  
KNOW.



NOW,  
DON'T  
YOU  
FORGET.

YOU  
HAVE TO  
GET INTO  
TOKYO U  
AS WELL!

BECAUSE OF  
OUR PROMISE  
REMEMBER?



...THAT  
EVEN AFTER  
WE GET IN  
TO TOKYO U,  
YOU WILL  
STILL BE MY  
BEST FRIEND.

...I  
WANT  
YOU TO  
KNOW...



...I...  
I...I  
LOVE...

NARU,  
WHAT'S  
COME  
OVER YOU?

BUT,  
WE STILL  
DON'T  
KNOW IF  
MUTSUMI  
EVEN  
WANTS TO  
GO OUT  
WITH YOU,  
DO WE?

WOOL  
LOOK AT  
ME IN  
ALMOST  
JEAL-  
OUS.

EVEN IF  
YOU DID  
MAKE A  
PROMISE WHEN  
YOU WERE  
LITTLE KIDS,  
IT'S KIND OF  
UNFAIR TO  
OTHER SINGLE  
PEOPLE OUT  
THERE.

BUT, JUST  
BETWEEN  
FRIENDS, I  
PERSONALLY  
THINK THAT  
MUTSUMI'S  
TOO CUTE TO  
BE SHACKLED  
AWAY AS YOUR  
GIRLFRIEND.

THERE AREN'T  
THAT MANY  
GIRLS LIKE HER  
ANYMORE.



...  
TO TELL  
YOU  
...

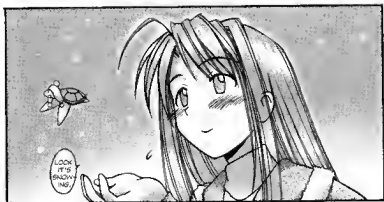
NARU,  
I'VE  
WANT-  
ED...



NOW,  
HOLD  
ON!!

SHE  
SEEMS  
TO  
WANT  
YOU...





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**HINATA.59**

**Please Don't Say Those Words**



...THAT EVEN AFTER WE GET IN TOTOKYO U, YOU WILL STILL BE MY BEST FRIEND.

I WANT YOU TO KNOW...





AND I'VE BEEN STUDYING! AS LONG AS I DON'T FREAK OUT, I WON'T HAVE ANOTHER NEAR-DEATH EXPERIENCE!!

HEY, WHAT HAVE I GOT TO WORRY ABOUT? I KNOW THE MATERIAL!!

I'VE GOT...  
...A GOAL!



I HAVE TO KEEP FOCUSED! I CAN'T LET HER DOWN!!

ARRG! I CAN'T KEEP TORTURING MYSELF LIKE THIS!!

...NO, WHEN I GET IN...

AND IF I GET IN...



...I'LL ASK OUT MUTSUMI.

I...I LIKE YOU, URASHIMA.



AND WHAT ABOUT NARU?

AFTER ALL, WE DID MAKE THAT PROMISE... BUT, I DON'T REALLY DESERVE HER. I... I CAN'T MAKE HER HAPPY.

AH HA HA.

NARU'S RIGHT, MAYBE IT WOULD BE BETTER IF I WENT OUT WITH MUTSUMI.

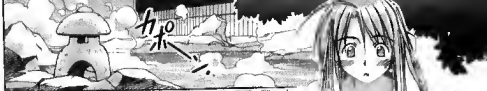


ARRGGHH!! WHY DO I FEEL THIS WAY?! I DON'T UNDERSTAND!!



WAS IT REALLY FOR LUCK?

T.HAT KISS...





...IS IT  
FOR NARU?

...WHY AM  
I PUTTING  
MYSELF  
THROUGH  
THIS AGAIN?

I WON-  
DER...



...I WAS  
--

NARU..

SO,  
TELL  
ME...

...HOW  
ARE YOU  
FEELING?  
THINK YOU'LL  
PULL IT OFF  
TOMOR-  
ROW?



HEY!!  
WHAT ARE  
YOU DOING  
OUT  
THERE?!

YOU'RE  
GONNA  
CATCH A  
COLD!

!



I'M ALL  
SET TO ACE  
THAT TEST!  
I SHOULD  
BE THE ONE  
COMFORTING  
YOU!

HEY,  
I'M THE  
SMART  
ONE!

I THINK  
SO, NO  
PROB!  
WHAT  
ABOUT  
YOU?

UHH,  
MAY-  
BE.





FEBRUARY 25TH, TOKYO UNIVERSITY:  
THE FIRST DAY OF THE SECOND  
EXAMINATION.

WOW!  
SO  
THIS IS  
TOKYO  
UNIVERSITY!

♡  
IT'S  
HARD TO  
BELIEVE I  
FINALLY  
MADE IT  
ALL THE  
WAY HERE.

AND MY  
FRIENDS  
ARE HERE  
AS WELL.

OH MY,  
SPEAK  
OF THE  
DEVIL.

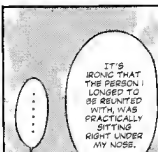
HEY,  
MITSUKAWA  
OVER  
HERE!!

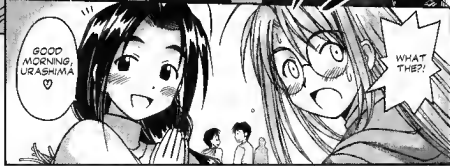
YES,  
WE'RE  
FINALLY  
HERE.  
♡

THIS IS IT.  
THE DAY  
OF RECK-  
ONING.

NO  
CARS  
THIS  
TIME. I  
TOOK A  
SHORT-  
CUT.

WHEN I HEARD  
YOU LEFT BY  
YOURSELF, I  
WAS REALLY  
WORRIED THAT  
YOU'D GET HIT  
BY A CAR  
AGAIN.







YES,  
URASHIMA.

THE REASON YOU  
SET YOUR HEART  
ON TOKYO U IS  
BECAUSE OF A  
PROMISE YOU  
MADE TO  
SOMEONE A  
LONG TIME AGO  
CORRECT?

ARE YOU  
GONNA  
FINALLY TELL  
HER? YOU  
ARE, AREN'T  
YOU, KEITARO?  
AND RIGHT  
BEFORE THE  
MOST IMPORTANT  
EXAM OF OUR  
LIVES?



I WAS  
QUITE  
SURPRISED  
MYSELF  
WHEN I  
FIGURED  
IT OUT.

WHY  
YES  
THEY  
ARE.

...MINATA  
HOUSE  
TRYING TO  
GET INTO  
TOKYO U  
ALSO  
AREN'T  
THEY?

AND  
THAT  
PERSON  
IS AT...

フム...



!?

EH??



STOP IT,  
KEITARO!!  
WHAT  
THE HELL  
ARE YOU  
DOING?

UM...  
WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN BY  
THAT?



NARU,  
WILL  
YOU  
BUTT  
OUT?!

REMEMBER  
THE PLAN?  
DON'T YOU  
EVEN CARE  
ABOUT HOW  
MUTSUM  
FEELS?



BUT...  
BUT...

...BUT  
THING'S  
HAVE  
CHANGED  
AND I CAN'T  
KEEP MY  
PROMISE TO  
YOU ANY-  
MORE!!

I...I'M  
SORRY,  
MUTSUM!!

...THINGS  
HAVE  
CHANGED.  
I'VE FOUND  
SOMEONE  
ELSE.

...EVER  
SINCE I  
CAME TO  
HINATA  
HOUSE  
TWO  
YEARS  
AGO...

MUTSUMI,  
EVEN  
THOUGH YOU  
ARE THE GIRL  
I MADE  
THAT  
PROMISE  
TOO...

...COULD  
IT BE?!

KEI...  
KEITARO...

EXCUSE ME,  
BUT...I'M  
NOT QUITE  
FOLLOWING  
YOU. WHAT  
ARE YOU  
GETTING AT?

I LOVE--

OH!!!  
NOW I  
GET IT.

THE ONE THAT  
YOU MADE  
WITH ME WHEN  
WE WERE KIDS!  
YOU KNOW,  
THE ONE THAT  
WE'D GO TO  
TOKYO  
UNIVERSITY  
TOGETHER.

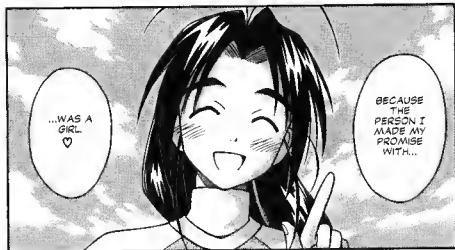
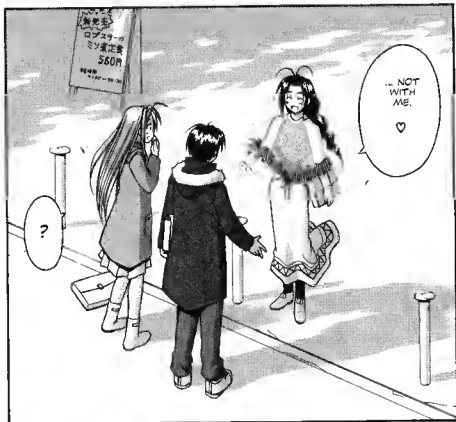
HUH?  
PROMISE?  
WHAT  
PROMISE?

WHAT I  
MEAN IS, THAT  
SOMETHING  
CAME UP AND I  
CAN'T KEEP MY  
PROMISE TO  
YOU ANYMORE.

...I MADE  
THAT  
PROMISE  
WITH--

YES,  
THAT'S  
RIGHT  
AND...

LET ME GET THIS  
STRAIGHT, YOU ARE  
TRYING TO GET INTO  
TOKYO U TO KEEP A  
PROMISE THAT YOU  
MADE WHEN YOU WERE  
A KID, TOO?









HEY, I FORGOT,  
TOO. THAT'S  
THE WAY  
CHILDHOOD  
PROMISES  
WORK.

FU FU FU.  
YOU TWO  
ARE REALLY  
CONFUSED,  
RIGHT?

!?

YOU'RE  
NOTHING  
RIGHT?

!?

BUT... I...  
WAIT...  
WHAT DO  
YOU MEAN...  
HOW?!



... HIS VERY  
FIRST LOVE.

THE PERSON  
THAT KEI-KUN,  
AKA URASHIMA,  
MADE HIS  
PROMISE  
WITH WAS...

...IT'S BEEN SO LONG  
SINCE I CALLED HIM  
KEI-KUN



...I HAD  
HER  
PROMISE  
ME ONE  
MORE  
TIME, "TO  
GO TO  
TOKYO U."

SO, A  
YEAR  
LATER  
WHEN  
I MET  
THAT  
GIRL  
AGAIN...



KEI-KUN,  
THAT  
MEANS...

SO THAT  
MEANS  
THAT...  
UM, WHAT  
DOES THIS  
MEAN?

W  
H  
A  
A  
T  
?!



...THE GIRL  
THAT YOU  
MADE YOUR  
PROMISE  
WITH WAS  
STILL QUITE  
YOUNG  
BACK THEN.  
SHE DIDN'T  
EVEN  
REMEMBER  
MAKING A  
PROMISE.

NOPE  
...

R-RIGHT  
SO...  
WASN'T  
THAT YOU,  
MUTSUMI?









SO NO  
MATTER  
WHAT, LET'S  
PASS THIS  
THING  
TOGETHER,  
NARU!!

WE MADE  
A PROMISE  
TO EACH  
OTHER  
LAST  
SUMMER  
REMEM-  
BER?



...KEI-  
TARO?



EHEM, MUSS,  
WOULD YOU  
REFRAIN  
FROM KILLING  
YOUR FELLOW  
STUDENTS  
UNTIL AFTER  
THE EXAM?

BUT...  
BUT,  
IT'S HIS  
FAULT!



URRGG  
GPP-  
PHH!!

あはははは

HOW COULD YOU  
SAY SOMETHING  
THAT EMBAR-  
RASSING IN A  
PLACE LIKE THIS?!



EHEH,  
SORRY  
ABOUT  
THAT.

<すくす  
<すくす

YOU DIDN'T  
HAVE TO HIT  
ME IN  
FRONT OF  
ALL THOSE  
PEOPLE.  
NOW, I'M THE  
LAUGHING STOCK  
AGAIN



Finally, here it is!  
Sorry for keeping  
you waiting!

# It's the results for the Love Hina Character Popularity Poll-----!!

As to be expected, coming in at number 1 is none other than our heroine, Naru! Way to go! (Well, that's not the only reason.) The number of votes she raked in only cements the strength of her popularity. In second place we have Shinobu. She's got a lot of hardcore fans, so this seems to be just the right standing for her.

And in third, who else but MOTOKO! Surprisingly only 50 votes away from capturing Shinobu's second place spot! What a battle! Now Ken "I Love Motoko" Akamatsu can sleep easy (Laugh). At this point, Mutsumi came in fourth. But as her role and importance continue to increase, who can say how high she'll climb when we do this again-----



#1 Naru  
Hirasagawa,  
784 Votes.



#3 Motoko  
Aoyama  
356 Votes.



#4 Mutsumi  
Ohtsuka,  
284 Votes.



#2 Shinobu  
Mashara,  
408 Votes.



#5. Keitaro Urashima. 154 Votes.

#6. Tama-chan. 112 Votes.

Tama-chan: Myuh!

#7. Kaolla Su. 106 Votes.

Su: I'll beat you next time!!

#8. Kitsuune. 100 Votes.

#9. Haruka Urashima. 58 Votes.

#10. Sarah. 33 Votes.

#11. Liddo-kun. 29 Votes.

#12. Seta. 20 Votes.



#13. Mutsumi's uncle. 10 Votes.

#14. Grandma Hinata. 6 Votes.

#15. Magii. Female Tokyo U Student (Hinata 32).

5 Votes.

#16. Krishna. Ken Akamatsu. Shirai. Haitani.

4 Votes.

#17. Mecha Tama-chan. Motoko's sister. The

Yakuza on the Shinkansen. (Hinata 18). The

innkeeper (Hinata 20). 3 Votes.

#18. The guy that pushed Mutsumi over (Hinata

47). The bar owner. 2 Votes.

#19. The girl from Keitaro's memories. Keitaro

when he was 5. Pochi. Kana-chan. Oobeke.

Shankara-kun. 1 Vote.

It's ironic how Akamatsu's assistant Magii ranked higher than him. (Laugh.) Then again, he's always naked so maybe that drew some sympathy votes?

And that was it! We received a total of 2505 votes. Thanks all for your participation.

...THEY'LL  
LIVE HAPPILY  
EVER  
AFTER?

REALLY?

...THAT IF TWO  
PEOPLE WHO LOVE  
EACH OTHER GO  
TO TOKYO  
UNIVERSITY  
TOGETHER...

DID YOU  
KNOW...



HERE  
I GO...

O-O-KAY.

HERE, I'LL  
EVEN  
LEND YOU  
LIDDO-  
KUN.

EX...  
EXCUSE  
ME, BUT







KEITARO  
URASHIMA.  
AGE 5.

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MUTSUMI  
OTOHIME.  
AGE 5.

NARU  
NARUSEGAWA.  
AGE 2 1/2.

Love Hina

HINATA.60

A Happy End with You.

HOW'S IT  
FEEL TO BE  
TOKYO U  
STUDENTS?

YAHOO!!  
WAY TO  
GO!!

YOU SEEM  
TO HAVE  
FORGOTTEN  
WE STILL  
HAVE  
TOMORROW.

AH HA  
HA HA.  
GEE,  
THANKS.

NO, REALLY  
I ...  
MOOORGH?!

EAT MINE  
TOO!!  
IT'S MY  
SUPER  
SPECIAL  
FEASTY  
THINGY!!

WOW, IT  
LOOKS  
DELI-  
CIOUS!!

HERE,  
SENPAI.  
I MADE  
THIS ESPE-  
CIAL FOR  
YOU.

REALLY,  
NARU?  
YOU  
MEAN,  
YOU  
ALMOST  
FAILED?!

THINK WE OVER-  
DID IT?

URRRAH  
URRRAH  
URRRAH

GAAHH  
GAAH  
GAAHH!!

WHAT  
ON...

I EVEN  
BROUGHT  
BOOZE.  
SO DRINK  
UP AND I  
MIGHT  
SHOW YOU  
WHAT ELSE  
I HAVE  
FOR YOU.



AH, I SEE  
YOU GAVE  
HIM THE  
GOOD OLE  
NARU  
COMBO!  
ATTA GIRL!

YOU'RE  
THE ONE  
WHO  
DECKED  
ME!!

NOW NOW,  
DON'T GIVE  
HIM TOO  
MUCH CREDIT.  
IT'S HIS  
FAULT I GOT  
IN TROUBLE.

IT WAS SO  
EMBARRASSING.

WHAT  
A  
LOSER!



AMAZING,  
KEITARO  
ACTUALLY  
DID  
SOMETHING  
USEFUL!

ARE YOU  
SURE IT  
WAS  
URA-  
SHIMA?

YEP, I WAS SO  
NERVOUS THAT I  
COULDN'T EVEN  
GET STARTED,  
BUT THANKS TO  
THIS JERK, I  
MANAGED TO  
CALM DOWN AND  
SAILED THROUGH  
THE REST OF THE  
EXAM.

SHE'S  
CUTE  
LIKE  
THIS.



WE HOPE  
YOU DON'T  
MIND IF WE  
TAKE OFF A  
BIT EARLY.

GOOD  
NIGHT!  
♡

THANKS FOR  
THE PARTY  
BUT WE'VE  
GOT MORE  
EXAMS  
TOMOR-  
ROW



WHAT'S  
UP?

HEY,  
NARU?



MAYBE  
GIVING  
THEM  
ALCOHOL  
WASN'T  
SUCH A  
GOOD IDEA.

AWW,  
LEAVING  
SO  
SOON?

YOU'RE  
NO FUN!!







...I'M  
TOLD IT  
WAS  
"TOKYO  
U."

FOR  
ME...



NO, NOT  
AS A BABY!  
I MEAN LIKE  
THE FIRST  
REAL WORDS  
YOU SAID AS  
A KID.  
AND NOT  
"MAMA" OR  
"DADA,"  
EITHER.

IT WAS  
PROBABLY  
SOMETHING  
LIKE, "GOO  
GOO" OR  
"GAA GAA."



OH SHUT UP! IT'S  
NOT WHAT YOU  
THINK! IT WAS A  
WORD THAT, I  
DUNNO, I SOMEHOW  
PICKED UP WHEN I  
WAS ON VACATION  
SOMEWHERE WITH  
MY PARENTS.

ARE YOU  
SERIOUS? YOU  
WERE, WHAT,  
TWO AND A  
HALF? ISN'T  
THAT A LITTLE  
LATE FOR YOUR  
FIRST WORD?



YOU  
MEAN  
... YOU  
DON'T  
MIND?

SO,  
YOU  
WANT  
TO  
READ IT  
AGAIN?

JUST  
THAT  
PART,  
OKAY?



OH, SO  
THAT  
WAS  
THE  
PART I  
CAUGHT  
YOU  
READ-  
ING.

WAIT,  
ISN'T  
THAT...  
FROM  
ONE OF  
YOUR  
DIARY  
ENTRIES?



YOU  
MEAN, 15  
YEARS  
AGO?



MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE  
EXAMS ARE COMING UP.  
LATELY, I'VE BEEN  
FEELING SO UNSURE AND  
WORRIED. I MEAN, THE  
REASON I'M AIMING FOR  
TOKYO UNIVERSITY IS  
BECAUSE 15 YEARS  
AGO...

WHAT'S  
WRONG WITH  
ME? WHY DO I  
FEEL SO  
LOST? EVEN  
THAT IDIOT  
SEEMS TO BE  
HAVING SO  
MUCH FUN  
STUDYING...



THAT'S IT!!  
SO THAT  
PICTURE  
YOU  
SHOWED  
ME MUST  
HAVE BEEN  
TAKEN  
BACK  
THEN?!

KANAGAWA?  
HEY, HINATA  
HOUSE IS IN  
KANAGAWA.



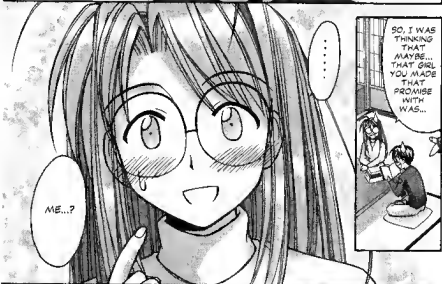
"OR MAYBE  
IT'S SIMPLY  
BECAUSE I  
HAD SUCH A  
CRUSH ON  
SETA..."

"...IS BECAUSE  
15 YEARS AGO,  
I WAS ON  
VACATION IN  
THE KANAGAWA  
PREFECTURE  
WITH MY  
PARENTS."



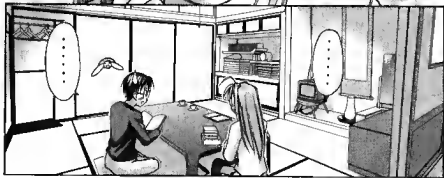
...AND THE GIRL  
THAT I MADE MY  
PROMISE TO... I  
THOUGHT THEY  
WERE ONE AND  
THE SAME BUT  
THEY'RE...

WHICH MEANS...  
WHICH MEANS...  
THAT THE GIRL  
WHO FIRST TOLD  
ME ABOUT  
TOKYO U...



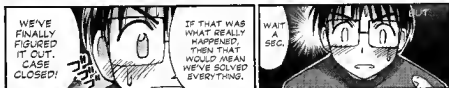
ME...?

SO, I WAS  
THINKING  
THAT  
MAYBE...  
THAT GIRL  
YOU MADE  
THAT  
PROMISE  
WITH WAS...



...

...







...

...HATED  
YOU AS  
MUCH AS  
BEFORE

...GUESS I  
HAVENT  
...

HUH?

LATELY  
I...

...REALLY  
ARE THE  
GIRL I  
REMEM-  
BER...  
THEN...

IF  
YOU  
...



... FATED  
TO  
REUNITE  
HIS WAY.

DON'T YOU  
THINK?

...IT'S  
MORE  
LIKE WE  
WERE...

...AS A  
SECOND  
YEAR  
RONIN TO  
MEET YOU  
AGAIN...

...IT ISN'T  
JUST A  
FLUKE THAT  
BROUGHT  
ME BACK TO  
HINATA  
HOUSE...

FATED?



...WHAT  
ON  
EARTH  
...

W...  
WHAT  
...



ARE  
YOU  
TALK-  
ING...

...ABOUT?



THE NEXT DAY, OUR INTREPID STUDENTS HEAD OFF FOR THEIR SECOND DAY OF EXAMS.

YOU LOOK LIKE YOU HAVE A LOT OF ENERGY.

WAKE UP!  
THIS IS IT!!  
I'M  
READY TO  
RUMBLE!!

NARUSE  
GAWA!  
KEI-  
KUN!!

SHALL  
WE  
THEN?

DO OR  
DIE!  
TODAY  
IS THE  
DAY WE  
PROVE  
OUR  
WORTH!

I  
BET.

LUCKILY,  
I'VE GOT A  
STRONG  
WILL FOR  
THIS KIND  
OF STUFF.

THIS  
IS IT,  
AFTER  
ALL.

I WAS SO  
SCARED  
LAST NIGHT  
THAT I  
COULD  
BARELY  
SLEEP A  
WINK.

DANG,  
HER  
TOOP?

A HA HA,  
ARE YOU  
GONNA BE  
ALRIGHT?

WHEN  
THIS IS  
ALL OVER,  
LET'S  
MEET UP  
SOME-  
WHERE AND  
CELE-  
BRATE!

THANK  
YOU!!

LOOKS  
LIKE THIS  
IS IT!!  
GOOD  
LUCK TO  
YOU  
BOTH!!



LET'S  
ALL PASS  
THIS  
THING  
TOGETHER...

...NO IFs,  
ANDs, OR  
BUTs  
ABOUT IT,  
OKAY?!



HEY,  
MUTSUMI?



YES?



THIS IS  
REALLY  
THE END.

THIS  
IS IT.



...NOW IS  
THE TIME  
FOR ALL  
OUR  
EFFORTS  
TO BE  
JUDGED!

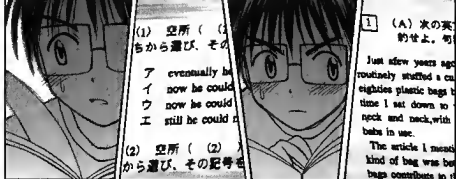
WE'VE PUT OUR  
HEARTS AND  
SOULS INTO  
STUDYING  
FOR THIS  
VERY  
MOMENT...



PLEASE,  
READ THE  
DIRECTIONS  
QUIETLY  
AS I READ  
THEM  
ALoud.



YOU  
MAY  
BEGIN.



THERE'S  
NO DOUBT  
ABOUT IT.

IF I KEEP THIS  
UP, THEN  
COME SPRING...

MY  
CENTER  
EXAM  
SCORE  
WAS...  
LET'S  
SEE  
NOW... I  
WAS...  
AND...

HEY,  
WAIT A  
MINUTE.  
CHILL,  
KEITARO.  
JUST  
THINK  
ABOUT  
THIS  
CALMLY  
FOR A  
MOMENT.

ENGLISH IS  
MY HARD-  
EST SUB-  
JECT, BUT  
I'M PRETTY  
CERTAIN I  
CAN SCORE  
OVER 80%  
ON IT. AND  
IF THAT'S  
THE CASE  
THEN I'M  
HOME FREE.

ACCORDING  
TO MY CALCU-  
LATIONS, IF I  
SCORE  
AROUND 85%  
ON THIS SEC-  
TION THEN I  
SHOULD  
HAVE A HIGH  
ENOUGH  
COMBINED  
SCORE TO  
PASS.

ねんはる  
2000年春

SPRING  
2000.

OH  
MY!

HEY,  
HEY,  
HEY!!  
♥

AMA-  
ZING!

KEI-  
TARO  
—

OH...  
NARU?

CONGRA-  
TULATIONS  
KEITARO!!

HIP HIP  
HURRAY!!

THERE  
IT IS,  
URASHI-  
MA!

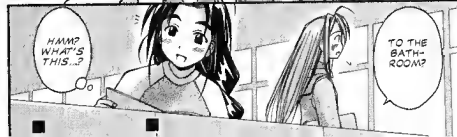
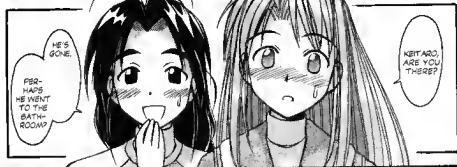
WAY TO  
GO,  
SEMPAI!  
YOU  
PASSED!!











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# Love Hina

## Preview for Volume Eight

### From Pararakelse With Love

The Tokyo University Entrance Exams have come and gone once again for our trio of intrepid ronins. But as the dust begins to settle, Keitaro goes missing. And before the results are even posted, Naru is off to track down Hinata House's troublemaking landlord.

Keitaro's whimsy leads him to a mysterious island in the South Pacific known as Pararakelse Island, a place rumored to be the home of a legendary civilization of turtles. It is here that a familiar face offers him a new lease on life. Of course, his old life is chasing after him at break neck speed with the exam results.

# Love Hina

The secret is out!

The girl from Keitaro's distant memory is Mutsumi, or at least that's where Naru's deduction has led her. So, now Keitaro has to start making some decisions, and what better way to make a decision between two absolutely beautiful, dynamic women than to go on a date with both of them... at the same time. Things get stickier when Mutsumi makes herself homeless by burning her house down, landing her in temporary residence at Hinata House... staying in Naru's room... right above Keitaro's room. Ooo, la la.

The New Year is right around the corner and the gang goes out for a celebration at a local shrine, where Keitaro, Naru and Mutsumi all ask for good luck on the upcoming test. But with a packed house and Valentine's Day right around the corner, how much time will they spend actually studying?



UPC Bar Code



**BYAHH  
SCANS**

